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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.
Our Ref: 381HI/50631
CAM No. 56204.145

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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entitled: **METHOD OF SUPPORT OF ENVIRONMENTALLY
CONCERNED DESIGN OF MANUFACTURED GOODS, AND
METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING RECYCLING
SUPPORT INFORMATION**

Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 22 claims (pages 40, plus specification front page).
2. 9 Sheets of X Formal Informal drawings showing Figs. 1-9.
3. X Declaration and Power of Attorney (**executed**).
4. Assignment of the invention to HITACHI, LTD.
5. Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Document , filed in on .

or

6. Certified copy of Priority Document 2001-10963 filed in Japan on January 19, 2001, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
7. X Preliminary Amendment


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Basic Fee						\$370/740	= \$740.00
Total Claims	<u>22</u>	-	20	=	<u>2</u>	x \$9/18	= \$ 36.00
Independent Claims	<u>5</u>	-	3	=	<u>2</u>	x \$42/84	= \$168.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented						\$140/280	= \$
Total Filing Fee							\$944.00

Two checks in the amount of \$944.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee are enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket No. 381HI/50631). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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